People Show Lack of Interest in New Railroad.

A Few Public Spirited Citizens

ent, but he had a valid excuse as he is exalted ruler of the Elk lodge and presided at one of the most important meetings in the history of the order in this city, last night. Secretary Poole was present at the meeting but he is drawing \$150 per month for attending the meetings of the club, and could af-

ford to spend the evening in this way. The Topeka Commercial club boasts of a membership of 214 and of this number more than 200 were absent and those who were present are interestd financially in the building of the To-

It seems that in the board of directors we have a number of obstructionists and the matter should be looked into and if the club cannot stand for the interests of the city rather than for those of corporations or individuals it is time that the organization is disbanded."

Mr. Crosby's Straight Talk.

E. H. Crosby said: "If the Topeka Straight Talk.

E. H. Crosby said: H. E. Richter, who lives at Council

Grove, made the statement at a recent meeting that if we had permitted the road building to have been commenced at the other end of the line that ten miles of road would have been constructed by this time. And that by restructed by this time. The loss is mostly covered by insurance. a town of less than 3,000. idents of a town of less than 3,000. Think of it. "The building of this road means the

expenditure of a million and one-half dollars and yet we are sitting idly by and allowing our opportunity to slip by. and allowing our opportunity to sap of the same of the

"Topeka people do not seem to realize what this road means to the city and the great value that it will be and

ARE WE ASLEEP? sider it a good investment and am not worrying from this source but we need help and need it at this time and the Commercial club should help us get it. "This Commercial club has done noth-"This Commercial club has done nothing to help us and we do not want to be considered the laughing stock of the city but that is just what will happen if something is not done and that at once. The idea of letting the expenditure of \$14,000 stand between the city and the building of a railway which will cost nearly a million and one-half dollars."

A Few Public Spirited Citizens Hold a Meeting.

WHAT IT ALL MEANS.

New Line of Railroad Just Within Our Grasp.

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and with the united Commercial club back of us we will not have the slightest trouble in raising the paltry \$14,000 which is needed at this time to give Topeka another railroad. I am. going up and down Kansas avenue tomorrow into the stores and offices and ask the merchants and business men of the city to attend a mass meeting Friday evening. It's a shame and a crime to have a railroad right here at our very door with the contractors in the city and construction gangs along the right of way and unable to go to work because we have

those who were present are interests financially in the building of the Topeka and Southwestern railway. The peka and Southwestern railway agreed to do."

W. L. Taylor said: "Lamprecht gain to take in the town, calling at all stores and Company went to the formercial club at a time when the backing of such an institution is most needed.

Raps Commercial Club.

G. W. Crane spoke first and for a few briefs seconds confined his remarks to the Topeka and Southwestern project. He said: "I am sorry that I could not be present at the meeting at the roof garden Monday evening but suppose that it is just as well that I was not for I would have in all probabilities made a fool of myself.

"The same old faces are here tonight that I have seen at the meetings from time to time but no new ones, and it is new ones we must have if this road is to be built. It seems to me that there against the construction of this road and it seems that these same interests dominate this Commercial club. Your finance committee has worked faither fully on this project and as a matter of necessity has therocyclic investigation of the condensated it from every standpoint and we have backed it with our money.

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The same old faces are here tonight that the board of directions of the Commercial club be instructed to call a meeting at one and select a president of this cub."

E. W. Thompson said: "I have seen a great event, the city and construction of the content of the c

"I was one of the founders of the Topeka Commercial club and have always contributed to it and lent it whatever support I could command but not attended many of these meetings. I want to say right here that I am about through with it. For some reason it seems to be dominated by those who are opposed to building this road. It seems that in the board of directors It seems that in the board of directors thing else that cold water is being bustion or a locomotive spark and fan-

headed by a well known Kansas ave-nue business man as president. It is Cunard line and a grain elevator.

meeting Friday evening.
The following members of the Topeka Commercial club attended the mass meeting called by the club for the purpose of discussing the Topeka and Southwestern railway project last night: W. H. Davis, C. K. Holliday, C. W. Merriam, A. G. Goodwin, C. W. Thompson, M. Council, G. W. Crane, J. W. Robinson, T. F. Garver, E. H. Crosby, W. W. Webb, W. L. Taylor, W. C. Stephenson, C. F. Gustafson and Secretary A. B. Poole.

For a Ketchell-Papke Bout.

and the great value that it will be and all that we have asked the Commercial club to do is to bring out the people so that we can demonstrate to them that they are not to be gold bricked and that this is not a confidence game. We want a mass meeting, people to talk to, so that we can convince them of the value of the project but the Commercial club has been a wet blanket to the entire proposition from the time it was first brought before it.

"If this Commercial club wanted to help this proposition a committee of bankers could be appointed who would investigate the purchase of bonds and the matter would be settled in a very short time. This is a business proposition and the people of Topeka have never been offered so great a bargain. I have put my money into it and con-Kalamazoo, Mich., July 9.—The Kalamazoo Athletic club has opened negotiations with Stanley Ketchel

### LONG CHANGES TACTICS.

Senator Now Devotes Little Attention to Wm. Allen White.

Ness iCty, July 8.—More and more, as he goes along in his campaigning, does Senator Long enlarge upon the character of the nominees for presi-

Destroyed Boston Property Worth \$1,500,000 in Half an Hour.

St. Petersburg, July 9.—The roof of house being constructed near the duma's buildings collapsed this morning and crashed down through the partly finished floors. Ten workmen were killed outright and forty others

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# SNAPSHOTS

Dancing tonight at Vinewood.

est price paid for corn in Topeka since the "grasshopper year." when corn sold for one dollar a bushel.

Seventy-eight placards bearing th names of the candidates of each party will have to be put up by C. B. Burge, city clerk, in the 26 voting precincts of the city. No provision has been made for this expense of posting and it looks as if Burge will have to get busy with the hammer and tacks himself.

The patrons of school district No. 21 are demanding that County Superintendent Carter furnish them with a teacher who does not believe in ruling her pupils with love: "One who has been disappointed in love two or three times and who believes that sparing the rod will not assist in saving the child," is the way the application reads.

At least one man and an array and a campaign medicine" which consists of a capsule with a small piece of paper folded up on the inside announcing and a capsule with a small piece of paper folded up on the inside announcing Zimmerman's candidacy. The cap-sules are displayed on the counters of the drug stores and in this parof the drug stores and in this par-ticular instance the man walked over picked up a capsule and then called for a drink from the soda fountain, guiping down the drink and capsule together before the clerk could stop him.

# COMING TO TOPEKA.

The Merchants of Kansas Next Week.

The executive committee of the Topeka jobbers and manufacturers who are arranging for the big Merchants week. July 15, 16 and 17, has issued a schedule showing the fares from various Kansas town to To peks. The two cent rate makes traveling very cheap. Nearly every merchant in Kansas is thinking and talking about the "blg meeting" to be held here next week and many who have not looked into the matter are wondering "how much it would cost to make the trip." The hotels of Topeka will make special rates for entertainment. There is not a mer-chant in Kansas who cannot make the three days in Topeka an in-expensive, enjoyable and profitable

The single rate fares from the fol-The single rate fares from the following Kansas towns to Topeka are: Girard, \$3.28; Argentine, \$1.24; Leavenworth, \$1.26; Atchison, \$1.02; Valley Falls, 50c; Garden City, \$6.70; Wichita, \$2.10; Syracuse, \$7.75; Kinsley, \$5.04; Hutchinson, \$3.12; Great Bend, \$4.30; Abliene, \$1.92; Minneapolis, \$2.56; McPherson, \$2.56; Newton, \$2.70; El Dorado, \$2.72; Eureka, \$2.16; Emporia, \$1.24; Osage City, 70c; Ottawa, \$1.10; Garnett, Eureka, \$2.16; Emporia, \$1.24; Osage City, 70c; Ottawa, \$1.10; Garnett, \$1.60; Iola, \$2.12; Scott City, \$6.70; Ness City, \$5.60; Independence, \$2.24; Concordia, \$2.60; Marysville, \$2.13; Manhattan, \$1.04; Blue Rapids, \$1.30; Stockton, \$4.46; Beloit, \$2.18; Frankfort, \$2.06; Irving, \$1.80; Clay Center, \$1.80; Clyde, \$2.24; Belleville, \$2.74; Smith Center, \$4.04; Mankato, \$3.40; Norton, \$5.34; Goodland, \$7.44; Colby, \$6.72; Holton, 60c; Herington, \$1.64.

## ASK TO SPEAK OUT.

But Prince Philip Zu Eulenburg Still Remains Stlent.

Berlin. July 8.—The chief judge hearing the case of Prince Philip Zu Eulenburg, who is charged with perjury in connection with the "round table" scandals of last year, has replied to the continued attack of the press charging that the court was treating the princely prisoner more leniently than was the custom with accused persons in ordinary walks of life. This morning he called together the official reporters of the court and said he wished them to make public his declaration that the prince was treated in a manner different from other prisoners only on account of his ill health; he either consideration influenced the court. 2

The court contiffued today the taking of testimony. The state's attorney has appealed to the prince to speak out and cease his denials, but this appeal remains unanswered.

## -Stock-Reducing, Pre-Inventory Sale-

Owing to lack of space, the following items were omitted from our two-page "ad" last evening. These lots go on sale tomorrow morning for the first time, at these prices.

# There will be a band concert at Garfield park tonight. No admission is charged to the park. Major T. J. Anderson, government statistician, has gone to Washington as a guest of the government. Edward Bass her departed. AT LOWER PRICES THAN EVER THIS YEAR

25c and 35c Silk Cord, 9c Plain color, all-silk Cord, used for binding portieres and sofa pillows, upholstery work, etc. It comes in a number of shades of green and red. It was originally priced 25c and 35c a yard. To close it out we offer it at......9c

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Twenty patterns of Silkolines—fancy patterns and plain colors. Silkolines that are regularly priced 15c a yard to be closed out at......9c

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Upholstry Tapestries In some pieces there's only enough for a chair or settee, while in others there's plenty for a whole suite. The bargain opportunity is readily apparent

Cross-Stripe Silk Four pieces of Cross-Stripe Silk—beautiful goods for making summer draperies. Reduced from \$2.25

Double-Face Velour One piece of 50-inch double-face green Velour, reduced from \$2.75 to \$1.13.

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In single pair, two pair and three and four pair lots. About seventy-five pairs all told. Each one bearing a ticket of leave that should carry them rapidly into your home. Look down the list.

\$1.85 Flat Swiss Curtains. 5.77

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1.15 Ruffled Swiss Curtains. 77

1.75 Ruffled Swiss Curtains. 1.12

2.50 Ruffled Swiss Curtains. 1.20

3.08 Ruffled Swiss Curtains. 1.35

3.25 Ruffled Swiss Curtains. 1.36

3.25 Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains. 1.80

3.05 Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains. 1.80

3.50 Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains. 2.25

4.50 Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains. 2.25

3.50 Cable Net Curtains 1.35

5.50 Cable Net Curtains 1.36

3.50 Marie Antoinette Curtains 2.25

4.50 Marie Antoinette Curtains 2.25

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Odds and Ends and Short Pieces of Drapery Goods

Two pieces of 18c Cross-Stripe, Snow-Flake Curtains, a yard 13c
Three pieces of 30c fancy Scrim, for making summer Curtains, a yard 20c
One piece of 50c dark green, Mercerized Scrimm, a yard 25c
Two pieces of 40c Cross-Stripe, Snow-Flake Curtain Goods, a yard 28c
One piece of 60c dark wine Drapery Net, for door panels, a yard 40c
One piece of \$1.25 dark color Fancy Madras, a yard 40c
Two pieces of 75c light color Fancy Madras, a yard 59c
Two pieces of 85c light color Fancy Madras, a yard 69c
Three pieces of 90c Fancy Curtain Net for door hangings, a yard 65c

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## G. A. R. MEN INDIGNANT

Washington, July 9.—A storm of indignation has been raised among Grand Army veterans here as the result of the announcement that Captain Newton M. Brooks, superintendent of foreign mails of the postoffice department, is to be transferred to a subordinate position in the department with Basil Miles of Pennsylvania, third secretary of the embassy at Berlin, as his successor.

At an informal meeting of local G.

his successor.

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A. R. men indignation was expressed over the change and President Roosevelt was criticized. Captain Brooks is past commander of the department of the Potomac and a past president of the Union Soldiers' Alliance as well as a member of the Loyal Legion and the Sons of the American Revolution.

New Moving Pictures At 9 p. m. Subjects - A Troublesome Theft, Mysterious Flames, A Plain Clothes Man.

Rand Concert 8:30 P. M. Led by J. B. MARSHALL

AT HALE'S TOURS-Touring Through Channel Islands, Mt. Tilatus Railway